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Approximately 90 percent of the Chinese civilians who came into North Korea from China after the Chinese Communist forces entered the Korean war were engaged in business activities. These Chinese residents, who travelled in all parts of North Korea on bicycles, obtained Chinese-made socks, underwear, cloth, towels, sneakers, toilet articles, tobacco, and flashlight batteries from Antung. Thus they enjoyed commercial supremacy over North Korean traders. This situation continued until [redacted] the Chinese Communist authorities ordered all Chinese residents in North Korea to return to China. In Qngjin County (YC-0803), Hwanghae Province, many Chinese residents were moved out by truck [redacted] most of the Chinese residents of P'yongyang had returned to China, leaving only a relatively few wealthy former restaurant owners, who were scheduled to return soon thereafter. [redacted] North Korean merchants were securing Chinese goods from Sinuiju for sale in other parts of North Korea.

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